

THE LUMBERMEN.

of the Representatives of the Pine Interests in the Northwest.

The Aggregate Stock at All Important Points Being Over Two Thousand Millions.

All the Dealers Determined to Keep Up a Stiff Market.

Several Attempts to Advance Prices Prove a Failure.

MORNING SESSION.

GATHERING OF THE PINE INTERESTS.

A meeting of the Chicago lumber-dealers that week, a resolution was adopted requiring that the present situation of the business warranted not only the maintenance but the immediate advance of prices, thus such an advanced condition of the entire trade, and provided for the appointment of a committee to communicate with the wholesale lumber-dealers and manufacturers of the Northwest, and to perfect arrangements for an early meeting of the trade gathered themselves together in the ladies' ordinary at the Tremont House, and proceeded to consider what action should be taken.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. T. W. Harvey, of this city, who expressed his pleasure in presiding over the session. Mr. Martin was nominated Mr. Dean to preside.

Mr. Carpenter was referred to the general objects of the meeting, and the extent of the lumber business here, which represented some \$60,000,000 worth of lumber.

Mr. Camp, of Minneapolis, said that the meeting was the desire to conduct the business with more judgment and in a more systematic method, and that the members were more and more respected among the trade.

To-day, as a result of this system of working in the business, there was a little more to do in the business.

In order to do this, it was necessary to cooperate with the dealers throughout the country.

The object of the meeting was to determine what number of lumber beyond the 1,000 millions now in Chicago, rates could not be kept up.

The receipts during the preceding year, \$14,775,000 in amount, gave the annual figures, and the probability was that \$10,000,000 feet would be needed next year.

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If any one could predict anything on that subject, it was to be great demand, and that the nomination was ratified and Mr. John B. Wilson appointed Secretary.

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Hammond's Theatre.

Clark street, between Washington and Randolph. Engagement of Mr. Frank Chanfrau. "Kit the Arkansas Traveler."

Powell Hall.

Madison street, between Clark and LaSalle. Lecture by Dr. C. Thomas. Subject: "Facts and Theories About the Skies."

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1880.

By the purchase of the lines of road running from Selma, Ala., to Pensacola the great Louisville & Nashville Railway combination yesterday secured an extension to the Gulf of Mexico, completing an unbroken line from Chicago to the deep water of Pensacola Bay.

DANGEROUS COUNTERFEITS OF THE GOLD PIECE ARE CIRCULATING QUITE FREELY IN CALIFORNIA, THE IMITATION BEING SO PERFECT THAT THE BOGUS COINS CAN ONLY BE DETECTED FROM THE GENUINE BY WEIGHT, AS THE FORMER, WHILE CONTAINING APPARENTLY AN EQUAL QUANTITY OF GOLD, ARE ONLY FIVE.

THE COLD FREEZING WEATHER OF THE PAST TWO OR THREE DAYS HAS DESTROYED THE ICE PROSPECT, WHICH UNTIL RECENTLY WAS VERY UNPROMISING. ICE TO THE THICKNESS OF EIGHT INCHES OR MORE HAS ALREADY FORMED, AND LARGE GANGS OF MEN ARE BUSYLY AT WORK MAKING THE MOST OF THE FAVORABLE WEATHER.

A CASE OF HYDROPHOBIA RESULTING FATAL IS DESCRIBED IN OUR COLUMNS THIS MORNING, AND WILL ATTRACT ATTENTION AMONG MEDICAL MEN BY REASON OF THE REMARKABLY SHORT TIME INTERVENING BETWEEN THE FIRST PREMONITION OF THE DISEASE AND THE DEATH OF THE VICTIM. THE BLITHE OCCURRED ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO, AND NO SUSPICION OF IMMOUCULATION WAS ENTERTAINED UNTIL EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING. THE PERSON BITTEN WAS A YOUNG MAN OF ROBUST HEALTH AND GOOD HABITS, AND IN TWENTY HOURS FROM THE TIME OF THE FIRST FEELING OF UNEASINESS MANIFESTED HIMSELF TO BE A CORPSE.

WE PRESENT TO OUR READERS THIS MORNING A NEW WEATHER MAP, SHOWING THE RESULTS OF THE SIGNAL-SERVICE OBSERVATIONS IN A DISTRICT OF GREATER AREA THAN EVER BEFORE COVERED BY THE METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS. FROM WINNIPEG IN THE FAR NORTHWEST, TO MOBILE ON THE EXTREME SOUTH, AND FROM THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS TO THE ATLANTIC, THE RANGE OF OBSERVATION EXTENDS, INCLUDING MANY POINTS NOT HITHERTO MENTIONED IN THE WEATHER BULLETIN. THE TRUNK-MAP, AS GIVEN THIS MORNING, WILL, WE THINK, BE RECOGNIZED AS SUPERIOR IN SCOPE AND DETAIL TO ANY WEATHER CHART PUBLISHED IN AMERICA BY A DAILY NEWSPAPER.

THE CRIMINAL RECORD THIS MORNING IS BURDENED BY AN ACCOUNT OF A HORRIBLE TRAGEDY IN CANADA. THE SCENE OF THE MURDER—A QUATUOR—one—is IN LUCAN, ONTARIO, AND THE VICTIMS A FAMILY OF FIVE PERSONS, WHO WERE SUSPECTED BY THEIR NEIGHBORS OF BEING THE AUTHORS OF FREQUENT INCENDIARY FIRS IN THE TOWN. THE FAMILY WAS ATTACKED DURING THE NIGHT BY A PARTY OF UNKNOWN PERSONS, AND ITS MEMBERS, AFTER ANOTHER, BEATEN TO DEATH, THE HOUSE BEING SET ON FIRE, AND THE PARTIES REFERRED TO ASKED. THE FIFTH PERSON WAS SHOT AT HIS DOOR AND SPREAD DISASTER FROM THE HOUSE WHERE THE REMAINING FOUR RESIDED. AS AN ACT OF BARBARISM, THIS INSTANCE OF INHUMANITY PUTS TO THE BLUSH ANYTHING RECENTLY RECEIVED EVEN IN KENTUCKY.

THE LUMBERMEN OF THE NORTHWEST ARE IN CHICAGO IN LARGE NUMBERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF AGREING UPON MEASURES FOR THE GOOD OF THE VAST TRADE AND ENORMOUS CAPITAL WHICH THEY REPRESENT, MORE ESPECIALLY AS TO THE PRICES WHICH SHOULD PREVAIL AT POINTS WEST OF THIS CITY. AT THEIR MEETING YESTERDAY THE LUMBER SITUATION WAS THOROUGHLY CANVASSED, AND IT WAS AGREED ON ALL HANDS THAT THE SUPPLY WOULD BE LARGE AND THE DEMAND SOMETHING UNPRECEDENTED DURING THE ensuRING YEAR, AND IT WAS TO THE INTEREST OF THE TRADE THROUGHOUT THE NORTHWEST TO BRING ABOUT AN EQUITABLE UNION AS TO THE PRICE-LIST. A RESOLUTION TO THIS EFFECT WAS ADOPTED, AND WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAILS AS TO PRICES THE DEALERS FROM ABROAD ENDED THEIR CONFERENCES AND WENT HOME PLANNING TO COOPERATE WITH THEIR BRETHREN IN CHICAGO IN THE FAITHFUL FULFILLMENT OF THE AGREEMENT.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING OF CHICAGO IMPORTERS AND MERCHANTS WAS HELD YESTERDAY TO TAKE ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE ALDRICH IMMEDIATE-TRANSPORTATION BILL NOW PENDING IN CONGRESS. THE SPIRIT OF THE MEETING WAS ONE OF UNANIMOUS AND EARNEST DESIRE FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE BILL WHICH PROPOSES TO EMANCIPATE THE IMPORTERS AND MERCHANTS OF THE WEST FROM THE IMPEDIMENTA AND DISADVANTAGES IMPOSED UPON THEM UNDER THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF DIRECT IMPORTATION TO INTERIOR PORTS OF ENTRY, AND THE RESOLUTION AND PETITION ADOPTED FOR PRESENTATION TO CONGRESS ARE ENTITLED TO HAVE GREAT WEIGHT IN INFLUENCING FAVORABLE ACTION ON THE BILLS NOW PENDING IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE. IT IS PROPOSED TO CIRCULATE THE PETITION FOR SIGNA-

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WASHINGTON.

The House Continues Its Plan of Obstruction to Legislation.

By Investing the Discussion of the Rules with Political Buncombe.

Yesterday Largely Devoted to This Species of Congressional Pettifogging.

Judge Blodgett Recommends that Golsen Be Released from Jail.

His Large Family and Destitute Condition Urged as the Reason.

How Mr. Bridgeman Administered the Affairs of the Stockbridge Indians.

Like Other Indian Agents, He Found a Good Channel to Speculate In.

Continuation of the Arguments on the Duty on Steel Rails.

Opposition to the Confirmation of New York and California Appointments.

THE RULES.

YESTERDAY'S DEBATE.—The House again voted to postpone the confirmation of New York and California appointments. A motion was made to adjourn the debate, but it was voted down.

Mr. Morton, of New York, moved to postpone the confirmation of New York and California appointments.

Mr. Morton's motion was carried.

